

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts and, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects the two said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said two movable parts of the base;
wherein ~~said base is constructed with one sheet of a flat plate, said fixing part has a flat plate shape, and said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along the said side peripheries of said fixing part; and~~
wherein a slit-shaped groove extending from the other end of said fixing part intervenes between a base part of said movable parts and said side peripheries of said fixing part.
2. (Cancelled).
3. (Currently Amended) A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects the two said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a mounting part having a flat shape that is separate from said fixing part and connects the two said movable parts with each other at the other end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said two movable parts of the base;
wherein ~~said base is constructed with one sheet of a flat plate, said fixing part~~

~~and said mounting part have a flat plate shape, and~~ said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part to face each other and extend along ~~the said side~~ peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part.

4. (Original) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 3, wherein a laterally extending slit-shaped groove intervenes between the other end of said fixing part and the one end of said mounting part constituting said base, and a longitudinally extending slit-shaped groove intervenes between a base part of said movable parts and the side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part.

5. (Original) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 3, wherein a laterally and longitudinally extending rectangular opening intervenes between the other end of said fixing part and the one end of said mounting part constituting said base.

6. (Currently Amended) A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects ~~the two~~ said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, a mounting part having a flat shape that is separate from said fixing part and connects ~~the two~~ said movable parts with each other at the other end thereof, ~~and~~ a connecting part that is integral with said mounting part and surrounds said mounting part, said movable parts, and said fixing part, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said two movable parts of the base;

~~wherein said base is constructed with one sheet of a flat plate, said fixing part and said mounting part have a flat plate shape, said movable parts are erect by a~~ predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part

to face each other and extend along the said side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part, and;

wherein said movable parts, said fixing part, and said mounting part are positioned within a central space of said connecting part.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 6,~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, a mounting part having a flat shape that is separate from said fixing part and connects said movable parts with each other at the other end thereof, a connecting part that is integral with said mounting part and surrounds said mounting part, said movable parts and said fixing part, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said two movable parts of the base;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part to face each other and extend along said side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part;

wherein said movable parts, said fixing part and said mounting part are positioned within a central space of said connecting part; and

wherein said central space of said connecting part on a side of the one end of said fixing part is closed.

8. (Original) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 6, wherein said central space of said connecting part on a side of the one end of said fixing part is open.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1,~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one

sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and

wherein a connecting portion between a base part of said movable parts and the said side peripheries of said fixing part constituting said base has a circular arc shape.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 3,~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, a mounting part having a flat shape that is separate from said fixing part and connects said movable parts with each other at the other end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part to face each other and extend along said side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part; and

wherein a connecting portion between a base part of said movable parts and the said side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part constituting said base has a circular arc shape.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1,~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part

having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and

wherein a central portion, as viewed in a length direction, of said movable parts constituting said base is formed to have a smaller thickness than other portions of said movable parts.

12. (Currently Amended) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1, A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;
- wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and
- wherein said movable parts constituting said base have a reinforcing part located at an end thereof on said fixing part side and bent from an upper edge of said end to extend towards toward and abut against a surface of said fixing part.

13. (Currently Amended) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1, A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of

said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and

wherein said movable parts constituting said base have a reinforcing part located at an end thereof on said fixing part side and bent from a front edge of said end to extend towards toward an inner side and abut against a surface of said fixing part.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1.~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and

wherein a reinforcing member intervenes between said movable parts on said fixing part constituting said base.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1.~~ A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;

wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part to face each other and extend beyond the other end of said

fixing part along said side peripheries of said fixing part; and

_____ wherein said fixing part constituting said base extends from the one end side of said movable parts and is enlarged as compared with a case of being located within said movable parts.

16. (Currently Amended) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 3, A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising a base constructed of one sheet of a flat plate and having a pair of right and left movable parts, a fixing part having a flat shape that connects said movable parts with each other at one end thereof, a mounting part having a flat shape that is separate from said fixing part and connects said movable parts with each other at the other end thereof, and a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one side of said movable parts;
- _____ wherein said movable parts are erect by a predetermined height from side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part to face each other and extend along said side peripheries of said fixing part and said mounting part; and
- _____ wherein said mounting part constituting said base extends from the other end side of said movable parts and is enlarged as compared with a case of being located within said movable parts.

17. (Currently Amended) The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1, wherein said base is constructed with a flat plate made of comprises a metal.

Claims 18-25. (Cancelled).